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# Shield

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we were walking  
“don’t tell mom and dad”  
i promised to shield your scars  
because i’m scarred too  
we have bad brains  
cloudy  
and fearful  
my fearful brain  
told me being a shield  
was what a  
good sister  
did  
i shouldn’t have listened  
the sun was looking for you  
it couldn’t find you  
my fearful brain  
makes a good shield



